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HAGER AND HENDRICK

Date is Monday, September 2, And Don't Forget It.

Agreeably with the notice published in the News last week Judge S. W. Hager, Democratic candidate for Governor, and John K. Hendricks, Democratic candidate for Attorney General, will be in Louisa on the above date and will both speak in the Court House during the afternoon. Speaking will begin at one o'clock, and as the gentlemen will not leave until the day after there will be plenty of time to discuss fully the very vital issues of the day.

For the first time in the history of Commonwealth Eastern Kentucky a candidate for Governor. Our people are properly proud of the fact, they are anxious to elect this candidate, and then be proud of the Governor from the hills of Sandy.

Mr. Hager is a very distinctly in the limelight of the public stage just now. He is a strong, positive character and as such has become the target for the slings and arrows of opposition. In his speech next Monday he will have an opportunity of presenting his side of the question and to cross examine the witnesses who have sought by various means to bring discredit upon him. His conduct of affairs. That Mr. Hager will give a good account of himself to one who knows him, and the voters of Lawrence county, Republicans as well as Democrats, owe it to him and themselves to hear him for his cause.

Hendricks is known throughout the State as one of the most eloquent and forceful speakers in the country. A profound lawyer, he is fitted for the office of Attorney General. Versed in politics and the art of political debate, a fine speaker, logical debater he is just the man for the stump at this time.

Don't forget the day and date.

Certainly!

It is the way they talk of Lawrence county girls in Virginia. Every of Kentucky Beauties Visited around.

Mr. M. F. Conley, of Kentucky, is in the city over night—the scene was being more than fulfilled in case—for he was accompanied by one of the handsomest, most stylish and vivacious ladies that have entered at a hotel in this city for the night—but they came from the Blue State, a state long famous for handsome women.

Mr. Conley is the editor of the Big Sandy News published at Louisa, Ky. His entire party hailing from there.

Says It's A Big Show.

In Honor, the County Judge of Lawrence, went to the Jim Town session last Friday and stayed ten days, returning the following Tuesday. The Judge says there's a lot of water out in the ocean, it tastes kind o' salty. What he means, he says, was the bathers. Says he is almost sure, though, some of the women are bound to be cold. He also says that the position is no place for a man with a good healthy appetite and a pocketbook.

Serious Accident.

While Milt Diamond, who lives in Ky Valley, was using a very sharp ax in his yard yesterday morning his son's old child, unknown to him, came out of the house and went to his father. Milt was at the time not spotting the axe behind and its sharp edge struck the child in the face. About an inch gash cut in the forehead and the nose split in two. Dr. Bromley went dressed the ugly wound.

Wilson Spoke.

Accatus Willson, Republican candidate for Governor, spoke in Louisa Friday. In spite of a drenching the Court House was full of people, many of them Democrats. Mr. Willson made a good speech, from point of view, and it was a good pioneering speech, from any point of view. He is a pleasant speaker and agreeable gentleman.

Some Fish.

H. Billups, operator at the Sims tower at Hanging Rock, caught a big cat fish weighing 44 pounds yesterday morning about six o'clock in a win net.

This fish was a yellow mud cat and measured eight feet seven inches in length. The net was looked Thursday morning and contained only a few perch, and this big fellow was nearly exhausted when taken from the net yesterday morning from his efforts to escape, and was easily landed.

The capture of this fish created a good deal of excitement in that little village as it was at first thought to be "Old Mossback," a legendary cat fish of enormous proportions which has inhabited the waters in that vicinity for the past 30 years and appears only at low water.

Old Mossback gained his name from the moss which had grown on his back and has destroyed fishing paraphernalia to the amount of hundreds of dollars in efforts to capture him.

It is reported that he overturned a barge at the coal tipple once. His capture has been tried by rivermen from Cincinnati to Pittsburgh, but as yet he is still at liberty.—Frontier Register.

Mr. Billups' home is at Catalpa, and his people can learn from the News of his skill or luck as a fisherman.

What A Jam!

During the blackberry season just closed, there have been sold by Versailles dealers 4,100 buckets of blackberries.

They were sold at 30 cents a bucket, bringing a total of \$2,850. As it requires fully 75 cents worth of sugar to preserve a bucket of blackberries, it will be seen that the housekeepers of Versailles and the vicinity have invested in blackberry jam about \$4,000.

The berry season hereabouts ended too soon, lots of berries being on the bushes for a lack of hands to pick them. The crop was enormous, but pickers wanted too much money. Much scantier crops were sold at 15 cents per bucket—much too little—and this year because people grumbled at 40 cents the pickers quit, which was a good deal like the nose and the face business.

Mrs. Pierce's Sister Dead

Last Tuesday morning, Mrs. W. D. Pierce received the painful intelligence that her youngest sister, Miss Trilix Hagmies, of Elmo, Va., was dead. The sad news was entirely unexpected and came with crushing force to the shocked recipient. On last Sunday Mrs. Pierce received a letter which said that her sister was threatened with typhoid fever, but that the attending physician had hopes that he might avert the attack. Miss Pierce was the youngest sister, only 19, and was said to have been a remarkably pretty girl.

Mrs. Pierce and daughter Eliza left for Elmo on the 1:20 N. & W. They will be absent probably a month.

Odell Rhymes With—

Rev. Odell, pastor of the M. E. church, South, at Wayne, preached a scorching sermon against the Masons last Sunday. He said the order a couple of Sundays ago because a number of his members who belong to the order stayed out at lodge so late on Saturday night that they didn't come to church on Sunday. It is said they didn't get home from lodge till about sun up Sunday morning. The Huntington Dispatch breaks into rhyme in a headline concerning the sermon as follows: "Wayne Masons headed for hell. To use the words of Rev. Odell."

Somewhere, at liberty with the terrible charge of attempted criminal assault on a little girl, George Adams, freight conductor on the Lexington Division of the C. & O., and a well known resident of Ashland is seeking to avoid capture. The tale of Adams' alleged crime is known throughout the city, having spread like wildfire from end to end of Ashland, soon after he was caught and locked up in the prison from which he was set free later on by a party of friends.

C. T. Rule, of Louisa, is a business visitor in the Gate City.—Tribune

ACCIDENTALLY SHOT

James Ball, of Little Blaine, Seriously Wounded.

Late on Monday afternoon James Ball, of Little Blaine, was accidentally shot and seriously wounded in the store of his father-in-law, Peyton Blackburn, on Madison street, this city, by Fred O'Neal, aged 5 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. O'Neal. A few moments before the unfortunate accident the boy was playing with a bicycle in front of his home, only a few feet from the Blackburn store. While so engaged Mr. Blackburn came along and put the youngster on the wheel and wheeled him up to his store. About the time they arrived there two small boys, Jesse Roberts and Earl Justice, who had the gun—a Flobert rifle—on the hill came along and stopped at the store. The O'Neals got hold of the gun which, so the boys then and there said was not loaded, and so stated in answer to Mr. Blackburn's question, and began snapping it. This was done four or five times, and then Fred pointed it toward the inside of the store, snapped it again, and James Ball received the leaden pill in his body.

The bullet entered the right side somewhere near the floating ribs and probably pierced the lung. Medical aid was at once summoned and the man made as comfortable as possible. No attempt was made to locate the ball, as probing was not considered very good surgery in such a case. Ball is resting well, and it is not believed that fatal results will follow the shooting.

The boy had not had the gun before, and had not snapped it at any one of his family. Various reports regarding the very unfortunate affair have been circulated, but the account here given is correct. The incident emphasizes the truth that firearms should be kept out of the reach of children, and strengthens the opinion that, somehow, it's the "unloaded" gun that goes off when least expected.

May Succeed Hargis.

A special dispatch to the Enquirer from Paintsville, Ky., of August 1st, says: "According to reports here to-night, which seem well authenticated, John C. C. Mayo, aged 45, a millionaire real estate, timber, land and coal operator, will succeed Judge James Hargis on the Democratic State Committee. Judge Hargis resigned this week. Mr. Mayo is the wealthiest man in Johnson county."

Commenting on the above the Mt. Sterling Advocate says: "Mr. Mayo is reckoned among the young democrats who are in the saddle and we feel very much down to Mr. Mayo for this reason and the fact that he is free from some of every tinge. Just an up-to-date Democrat, standing firmly for the party's rock-ribbed principles. Other reasons are good ones. He is in line with the temperance movement, is a liberal contributor to all moral movements, educational, religious, society, etc.—Mt. Sterling Advocate."

Correction.

The News is asked by the sender to say that the news of the shooting into a C. & O. car near Graves Shoals some time ago was true, and that C. & O. officials in Ashland will corroborate the statement. We asked the agent here what there was in the report, and he said he had heard nothing of it and that none of the train men knew anything about it.

The News cheerfully makes the correction asked.

The See Reunion.

The descendants of Garred and Flor See will hold a family reunion at Fountain Park on Saturday, September 21st. The See family is one of the oldest in this section, and the descendants are as numerous almost as the sands of the sea. They expect on the occasion of their yearly meeting to have a pleasant time, and no doubt it will be an enjoyable event. It is to be hoped that the weather may be fine, that every man, woman and child with a drop of the blood in his veins may be present, and that all may live to participate in many such gatherings.

Two children, aged respectively 17 and 16 years, were married in Catlettsburg this week, their parents being present and consenting.

Farmers' Institute.

According to announcement J. B. Walker, Director, S. J. Baldwin and George P. Rogers, Lecturers, opened a Farmers' Institute at the Court House in this city last Wednesday. The program published in the News last week was faithfully and intelligently carried out so far as the visitors were concerned, but the News is sorry to say, the part which the farmers of Lawrence should have acted by attending these meetings of Wednesday and Thursday was by no means observed. The weather both days was simply ideal, and the Court House should have been crowded by men anxious to learn the better ways. But they didn't come. A News man went over Thursday morning to get something about the Institute and found a beggarly array of empty benches—very little more. Those who failed to attend the Institute are the losers. That's all.

The gentlemen who have been conducting the meetings are men of intelligence and experience, trained in the profession of farming and able to tell in an interesting way what they know, and it is indeed to be regretted that the attendance by those for whose benefit these Institutes were planned are not alive to the great importance of such meetings.

Death of Frank Moore.

A telegram announcing the sudden death of Francis Moore in Manila, P. I., where he had recently gone to accept a government position has been received. The deceased was well and favorably known here, having come to Louisa about 20 years ago, with R. M. Broas, with whom he was identified as civil engineer in several timber and mineral deals, for a long time. He was also associated with the Northern Coal and Coke Company, being located in Pikeville.

How He Was Taken.

Morgan Curry, who lives on the Kentucky side of the river opposite Yorkville, came here last week as a witness in the case of the State against William McCallister, indicted for robbery, and was arrested by Dept. Sheriff John Billups and Constable J. W. Ketchum as a fugitive from justice on a requisition from the Governor of Kentucky. Curry is indicted in Lawrence county, Kentucky on a charge of kidnapping and for various misdemeanors. The authorities of Lawrence county were notified of the arrest and Sheriff Clayton and Deputy Sheriff Mephal of Louisa, came over and conveyed the prisoner to the Louisa jail. A reward of \$100 was offered for the arrest of Curry which will be shared by Messrs. Billups and Ketchum.—Wayne News.

Bridge Across The Tug.

Practically all the iron material for the new bridge across the Tug is here, and is being unloaded this week. It is quite interesting to see the great hollow iron piers which will be filled with concrete. This style of bridge, while just as staple as could be desired, is more quickly constructed than the older forms of bridges. Hence it will not be long before people of Williamson will be able to pass over into Old Kentucky without trouble.—Williamson Enterprise.

Delegate Convention.

By order of the Republican Legislative Committee for the 98th Legislative District composed of the counties of Boyd and Lawrence at a meeting of said committee, a delegate convention was called to meet at Louisa, Kentucky, on Thursday, Sept. 25th, 1907, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of nominating a Republican candidate for the office of Representative for the 98th Legislative district to be voted for at the November Election 1907.

Died at Williamson.

Dr. Joe M. Johnson died at Williamson on Wednesday of last week after an illness of several weeks. He was 43 years of age and leaves a family. Dr. Johnson was a son of the late Rev. John T. Johnson, and had been a practitioner of medicine several years.

PERT PARAGRAPHS

Picked Up At Pike, Paint and Prestonsburg.

Prestonsburg, Ky., Aug. 25.—Kenas Barchett at his examining trial, Monday for killing his cousin, Jim Burchett, was released on bond, giving bail in the sum of \$5,000. Barchett claims self-defense.

Sargent, Ky., Aug. 24.—William Vanover, aged 190 years, the oldest man in Letcher county, whose sobriquet, "Wolfy Bill," has won him much publicity heresabouts, died on Bluefields creek, east of here, late yesterday. He had been five times married and was the father of eighteen children.

Pikeville, Ky., Aug. 22.—The fifteen-year-old daughter of Allen Ratcliff, of the Mouth of Pond, near here, fell from an apple tree last Friday, a distance of twenty-nine feet, and sustained injuries from which she died Sunday. Undertaker Call shipped a casket to her home yesterday.

Sargent, Ky., August 24.—The Republicans of the Thirty-third Senatorial District of Kentucky in a convention at Hindman yesterday instructed for Hillard Smith, of Knox County, for Senator over five other contestants. It was a deadlock over night. L. Wilson Fields, of Whitesburg, was a close second. There was

much disorder during the proceedings.

Pikeville, Ky., Aug. 26.—A young man named Sam Wright, and hailing from Middle Creek, Floyd county, had the misfortune to shoot himself in the knee, while at Elkhorn, yesterday. He was fooling with a loaded pistol at the time. The bullet passed into the knee, ranged down and came out at the calf of the leg, making an ugly and dangerous wound. He came down on the Elkhorn train and was placed on the train by some of the men, who were at the depot here and returned to Middle Creek.

BUCHANAN.

Miss Sarah Jackson returned to her home at Catlettsburg Saturday, after a pleasant visit with relatives here.

Mrs. Buckley, of Estep, is spending a few days with her son John and family here.

Miss Fannie Fernandez, who has been quite sick, is improving.

Miss Lizzie Smith and son, Warren, have returned to Lynchburg.

Lon and Charley Johnson, employees of the N. & W. road, spent Sunday with their families here.

Geo. Williamson returned to his work at Shelby Saturday, after a visit with home folks here.

Miss Mabel Ausier left Thursday for her home in Falls City, Neb., after an extended visit with Big Sandy relatives. She was accompanied as far as Cincinnati by Miss Laura Compton.

Master Carl Faulkner is spending the week in Cincinnati with relatives.

J. W. Bostick was here Saturday en route to his work at Terre Haute, Ind. He was accompanied to Greenup by his mother.

Mrs. Cora Faulkner visited at Kavaugh over Sunday.

Will Buckles spent Sunday with home folks at Estep.

Miss Zella Edwards is visiting her grandparents at Mavity.

Mrs. Faber Steadman and baby have gone to Alabama, to join Mr. Steadman, who has employment there.

"Waldo."

COMPTON-POWELL

Miss Nannie Powell and Labe Compton were united in marriage at the home of the bride at Kavanaugh, last Sunday at nine o'clock, in the presence of the immediate family and a few friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Pangburn. The bride is the pretty and accomplished daughter of Jos. Powell, one of Boyd county's most prosperous farmers and the groom is a young man of sterling qualities, a son of the well known Esquire John Compton, of near Fallsburg. The bride was handsomely attired in a suit of blue, while the groom wore the conventional black.

Immediately after the ceremony they boarded train No. 37, amidst a shower of rice and old shoes, for a trip East, after this they will go to housekeeping in a cozy home already in waiting at Ashland, where the groom is employed by the C. & O. Ry. Their many friends wish them much happiness.

WEBBVILLE.

Big Baptist meeting at forks of Dry Fork. Great number went from Willard.

Mr. Porter shipped a car of hogs and one of sheep this morning.

Fisher is loading lumber today.

John Hill of Dry Fork has gone to Olive Hill to work.

The train that was taken off last week has been put on again, giving us two trains daily.

Judge Woods is off on a stock buying trip.

Mr and Mrs Flem Kitchen are better this week.

Sam Shepherd and Mr. Beckelhamer went to Louisa with a team for a set of mill buhrs.

Henry Fisher and two daughters have gone to Ashland for eye treatment.

The picture men have finished their deliveries and gone to Grayson.

Jay Stewart and wife, of Dry Fork, have returned from Ashland.

Oscar Hicks and wife, F. W. Inery, Sherman Hicks and Ed, Perkins of Elliott have gone to Huntington to work. Say they have no roads in this county.

Uph Smith of Hanging Rock, who has been here on a visit has returned home.

Jack Thompson of Cherokee, Republican candidate for the Legislature, has gone to Ashland to visit relatives.

Mont Kazee has gone to Huntington to hunt work. Bad roads.

Ashby Wheeler and brother have returned from Ashland.

Seventeen men from here and Elliott have gone out to hunt work.

Ed, Conaway and wife are here from Ashland to see his father in law, Don Stevens, of Elliott.

Mrs. Levi Webb and Miss Grace Webb went to Willard and returned to day.

Many are going to the Circus at Grayson.

Dr. Williams the dentist, and his wife have left East Fork. He had a good practice and he and Mrs. William are very nice people.

Mr. Boggs of Ashland is here on his way to Elliott to visit home folks.

Hildred Carter and friends from Columbus have been to Cherokee to visit home folks and have returned to Columbus.

Mrs. John Watson and children of Grayson have returned from Cats Fork.

Mr. Penington of Red Jacket, has returned home.

Cashier Conley of the village of Blaine, has returned from Mayville.

F. R. Moore was up Trace and back to day.

Much hickory and oak stuff has gone out, recently also several carloads of cattle.

Millard Carter is here, expecting Mrs. Gambill.

Mrs. Cole, Willie Belle Cole and Freddy Cole are here to spend a few day with Mr and Mrs. F. R. Moore.

Rained all night and still raining, and Dry Fork has risen 15 feet.

Mrs. Celia Petra has gone to Huntington to visit relatives.

John Smith of Cat is here trading in cattle.

Sam Jett of Winchester, therman who put up the money to prosecute the Hargises, is here.

Harry Montgomery is here from West Virginia on a visit to his grand father, William Montgomery.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis and children are here going to E. K. Junction on a visit.

Two of the Messrs. Bolkins of Elliott are visiting here.

Chft Osborne and wife are here going to Frank Osborn's opposite Portsmouth.

Pit.

The citizens who live in the lower end of the county are greatly inconvenienced on account of the bridge at J. Q. Lackey's, being torn out and no way to get to or from town. Somebody is to blame, and somebody is responsible for this condition. If it is the R. R. Co., proper steps should be at once taken to have them make the fill. If the county officials are responsible they should see to it at once that the fill is made. This bridge has been down for more than two weeks, and there is no prospect of it being put into good shape very soon.

The Annual Conference of the M. E. Church, South will be held in Catlettsburg, beginning Tuesday morning, Sept. 3rd. It is expected that the attendance will be very large. Many from Louisa and other points along the river will attend.